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2. NIU ET AL.: "Bayesian haplotype inference for multiple linked single-nucleotide polymorphisms," American Journal of Human Genetics, American Society of Human Genetics, 2001, pages 157-169, Vol. 70, Chicago, US (in English)
3. WO 01/79540 A2 (in English)
4. WO 02/20835 A2 (in English)
5. ZHANG ET AL.: "A dynamic programming algorithm for haplotype block partitioning," Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, 2002, pages 7335-7339, Vol. 99, No. 11, US (in English)

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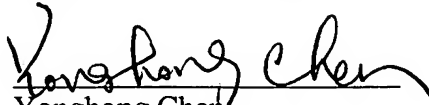
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